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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

### **Notice of Opposition**

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

## **Opposer Information**

Name	Spine View, Inc.
Granted to Date of previous extension	08/28/2011
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## **Applicant Information**

Application No	77968789	Publication date	03/01/2011
Opposition Filing Date	08/29/2011	Opposition Period Ends	08/28/2011
Applicant	SpineFrontier, Inc. 500 Cummings Center, Suite 3500 Beverly, MA 01915 UNITED STATES		

## Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 010.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Orthopedic spinal implants consisting of artificial materials and surgical orthopedic instruments to facilitate the implantation of orthopedic spinal implants

## **Grounds for Opposition**

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)

## Mark Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	3934902	Application Date	01/09/2009
Registration Date	03/22/2011	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	ENVUE		

Design Mark	ENVUE
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 010. First use: First Use: 2010/08/13 First Use In Commerce: 2010/08/13 Endoscopic cannulae

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	INVUE_Opposition.pdf ( 16 pages )(526472 bytes )

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Name	Jennifer Lee Taylor
Date	08/29/2011

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SPINE VIEW, INC.,

Opposer,

VS.

SPINEFRONTIER, INC.,

Applicant.

Opposition No.: TO BE ASSIGNED

Application No.: 77/968,789

Mark: INVUE

Filed on March 25, 2010

Published for Opposition on March 1, 2011

#### NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Box TTAB FEE Commissioner for Trademarks P.O. Box 1451 Arlington, VA 22313-1451

Spine View, Inc. ("Opposer"), a California corporation having its principal place of business at 48810 Kato Road, Suite 100E, Fremont, California 94538 believes that it will be damaged by registration of the mark shown in U.S. Application Serial No. 77/968,789, and hereby opposes the same.

As grounds for the opposition, it is alleged as follows:

- 1. Opposer develops and offers medical instruments that are used in endoscopic, minimally invasive, and open spinal surgery. Neurosurgeons and orthopedic spine surgeons use Opposer's products to treat patients, as do interventional spine specialists, including anesthesiologists, physiatrists, radiologists, and spinal surgeons.
- 2. Opposer has continuously used the ENVUE mark in commerce in connection with its development, promotion, and sale of medical instruments that are used in endoscopic, minimally invasive, and open spinal surgery since at least as early as August 13, 2010.

- 3. Opposer owns U.S. Registration No. 3,934,902 for ENVUE for "endoscopic cannulae" in Class 10 (the "ENVUE Registration"). Opposer filed the application that matured into the ENVUE Registration on January 9, 2009, and the ENVUE Registration issued on March 22, 2011. Opposer owns the mark covered by the registration, the registration itself, and the goodwill and reputation of the goods connected with and symbolized by the mark in the registration. Attached hereto as Exhibit A are true and correct copies of Opposer's registration certificate, Assignment record, and the TARR status report for U.S. Registration No. 3,934,902.
- 4. SpineFrontier, Inc. ("Applicant"), a Delaware corporation having its principal place of business at 500 Cummings Center, Suite 3500, Beverly, MA 01915, filed U.S. Application Serial No. 77/968,789 for INVUE (the "INVUE Application") on March 25, 2010. Attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a> is a true and correct copy of a printout of the TARR report for U.S. Application Serial No. 77/968,789 from the USPTO website.
- 5. The INVUE Application was published in the *Official Gazette* on March 1, 2011. Opposer obtained extensions of time to oppose the INVUE Application until August 28, 2011.
- 6. By its INVUE Application herein opposed, Applicant seeks to register the mark INVUE for "orthopedic spinal implants consisting of artificial materials and surgical orthopedic instruments to facilitate the implantation of orthopedic spinal implants" in Class 10.
  - 7. Applicant filed its INVUE Application on an intent-to-use basis on March 25, 2010.
- 8. On information and belief, Applicant has not yet used the INVUE mark in commerce in connection with the goods identified in the INVUE Application.
- 9. Opposer's constructive priority date—the filing date of the application that matured into the ENVUE Registration—is substantially prior to the filing date of the INVUE Application. Opposer filed the application that matured into the ENVUE Registration on January 9, 2009, more than a year prior to the filing date of the INVUE Application.
- 10. On information and belief, since prior to any use in commerce by Applicant of the INVUE mark, Opposer has continuously used the ENVUE mark in connection with its

development and sale of medical instruments that are used in endoscopic, minimally invasive, and open spinal surgery.

- 11. Opposer has continuously offered and promoted medical instruments that are used in endoscopic, minimally invasive, and open spinal surgery in commerce under the ENVUE mark since at least as early as August 13, 2010. Opposer's constructive first use date of the ENVUE mark is January 9, 2009, the filing date of the application that matured into the ENVUE Registration. Through continuous use and promotion of this mark, Opposer has acquired common law rights in the ENVUE mark. Opposer will continue to offer and promote these medical instruments in the United States under the ENVUE mark.
- 12. Applicant's INVUE mark is so similar in sight, sound, meaning, and commercial impression to Opposer's ENVUE mark as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive. Applicant's INVUE mark and Opposer's ENVUE mark are aurally indistinguishable, as both begin with a highly similar sound and both end with the identical VUE element. In addition, the two marks are highly similar in appearance, given that they differ only by one letter. Moreover, the marks have the same meaning, as each connotes a way of looking into something. Opposer's ENVUE mark and Applicant's INVUE mark thus create highly similar commercial impressions.
- 13. Applicant has applied to register its INVUE mark for "orthopedic spinal implants consisting of artificial materials and surgical orthopedic instruments to facilitate the implantation of orthopedic spinal implants" in Class 10. On information and belief, these goods are closely related to and/or complementary with the medical instruments that Opposer offers under its ENVUE mark for use in spinal surgery. On information and belief, the same physicians and healthcare professionals who use Applicant's goods to treat patients in spinal procedures are likely to use or encounter Opposer's goods to treat patients in spinal procedures, and vice versa. On information and belief, Applicant's goods, on the one hand, and Opposer's goods, on the other, will be offered through the same or similar channels of trade and will target the same or overlapping customer bases.

14. In view of the fact that Applicant's INVUE mark is very similar in sight, sound, meaning, and commercial impression to Opposer's ENVUE mark; that Applicant's goods, on the one hand, and Opposer's goods, on the other, are closely related and complementary; and that the channels of trade and customer bases for Applicant's and Opposer's respective goods appear to be the same or overlapping, Applicant's INVUE mark so resembles Opposer's ENVUE mark as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive. Opposer would thereby be injured by Applicant's registration of the INVUE mark.

15. <u>Filing Fee</u>: The USPTO is authorized to charge \$300.00 for the Notice of Opposition to Morrison & Foerster LLP's Deposit Account 03-1952 (Reference No. 62795-6005501).

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that U.S. Application Serial No. 77/968,789 be rejected, that no registration be issued thereon to Applicant, and that this opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

Respectfully submitted,

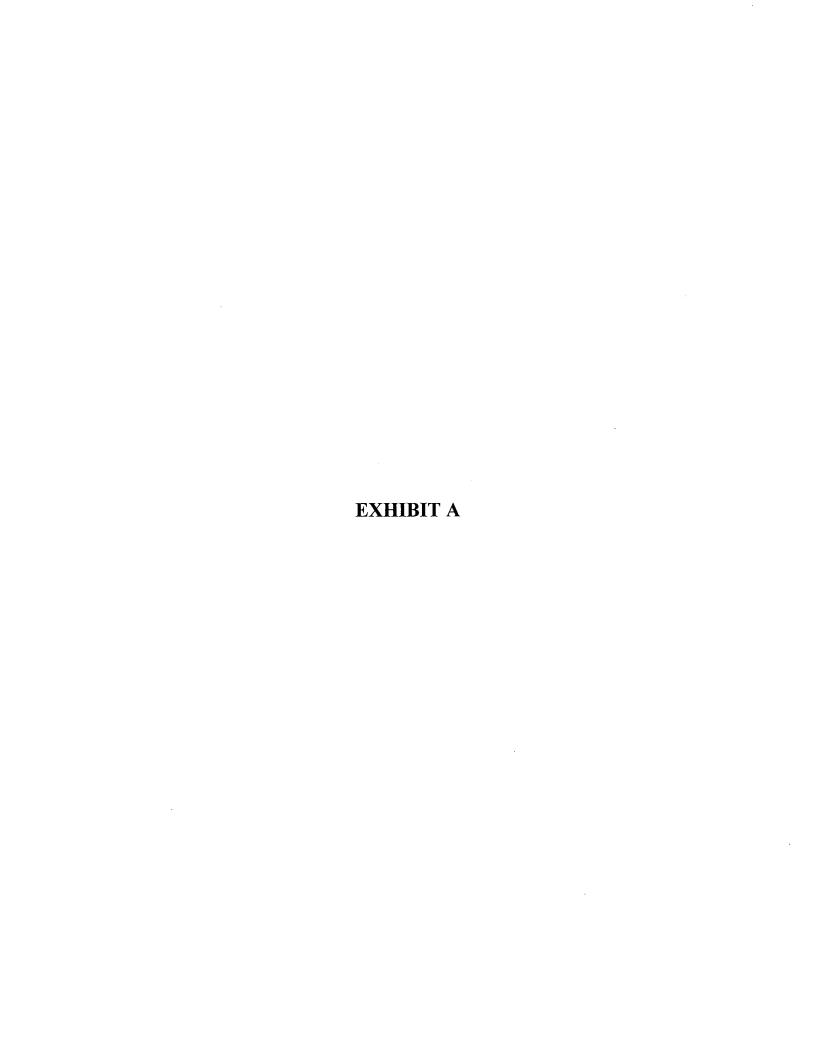
Dated: August 29, 2011 By:

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## **ENVUE**

Reg. No. 3,934,902

SPINE VIEW, INC. (CALIFORNIA CORPORATION)

48810 KATO ROAD, SUITE 100E

Registered Mar. 22, 2011 FREMONT, CA 94538

Int. Cl.: 10

FOR: ENDOSCOPIC CANNULAE, IN CLASS 10 (U.S. CLS. 26, 39 AND 44).

TRADEMARK

FIRST USE 8-13-2010; IN COMMERCE 8-13-2010.

PRINCIPAL REGISTER

THE MARK CONSISTS OF STANDARD CHARACTERS WITHOUT CLAIM TO ANY PAR-

TICULAR FONT, STYLE, SIZE, OR COLOR.

SN 77-646,567, FILED 1-9-2009.

LINDSEY RUBIN, EXAMINING ATTORNEY



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For Serial Number: 77646567

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# **ENVUE**

(words only): ENVUE

Standard Character claim: Yes

Current Status: Registered. The registration date is used to determine when post-registration

maintenance documents are due.

**Date of Status: 2011-03-22** 

Filing Date: 2009-01-09

Transformed into a National Application: No

Registration Date: 2011-03-22

Register: Principal

Law Office Assigned: LAW OFFICE 108

If you are the applicant or applicant's attorney and have questions about this file, please contact

the Trademark Assistance Center at Trademark Assistance Center @uspto.gov

Current Location: 650 - Publication And Issue Section

Date In Location: 2011-02-17

#### LAST APPLICANT(S)/OWNER(S) OF RECORD

1. Spine View, Inc.

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Spine View, Inc.

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48810 Kato Road, Suite 100E

Fremont, CA 94538

**United States** 

Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: California

#### GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 010 Class Status: Active Endoscopic cannulae

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 2010-08-13

First Use in Commerce Date: 2010-08-13

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

(NOT AVAILABLE)

#### MADRID PROTOCOL INFORMATION

USPTO Reference Number: A0023009 International Registration Number: 1066941 International Registration Date: 2011-01-28 Original Filing Date with USPTO: 2011-01-28

International Registration Status: Application For IR Registered By IB

Date of International Registration Status: 2011-03-03 International Registration Renewal Date: 2021-01-28 Irregularity Reply by Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

#### Madrid History:

07-07-2011 - 12:14:42 - Ceasing Of Effect Reviewed - No Action Required By Office

06-22-2011 - 08:00:55 - Partial Ceasing Of Effect To Be Processed

03-04-2011 - 08:12:46 - Application For IR Registered By IB

01-29-2011 - 21:05:31 - IR Certified And Sent To IB

01-28-2011 - 15:10:13 - New Application For IR Received

01-28-2011 - 15:10:13 - Automatically Certified

#### PROSECUTION HISTORY

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2011-03-22 - Registered - Principal Register

2011-02-18 - Notice Of Acceptance Of Statement Of Use Mailed

2011-02-17 - Law Office Registration Review Completed

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- 2011-02-17 Assigned To LIE
- 2011-02-17 Allowed for Registration Principal Register (SOU accepted)
- 2011-02-09 Statement Of Use Processing Complete
- 2011-01-20 Use Amendment Filed
- 2011-01-20 TEAS Statement of Use Received
- 2010-08-18 Notice Of Approval Of Extension Request Mailed
- 2010-08-17 Extension 2 granted
- 2010-07-21 Extension 2 filed
- 2010-08-17 Case Assigned To Intent To Use Paralegal
- 2010-07-21 TEAS Extension Received
- 2010-07-13 Applicant/Correspondence Changes (Non-Responsive) Entered
- 2010-07-13 TEAS Change Of Owner Address Received
- 2010-01-20 Extension 1 granted
- 2010-01-20 Extension 1 filed
- 2010-01-20 TEAS Extension Received
- 2009-07-21 NOA Mailed SOU Required From Applicant
- 2009-04-28 Published for opposition
- 2009-04-08 Notice of publication
- 2009-03-25 Law Office Publication Review Completed
- 2009-03-24 Assigned To LIE
- 2009-03-24 Approved For Pub Principal Register
- 2009-03-24 Assigned To Examiner
- 2009-01-14 Notice Of Pseudo Mark Mailed
- 2009-01-13 New Application Entered In Tram

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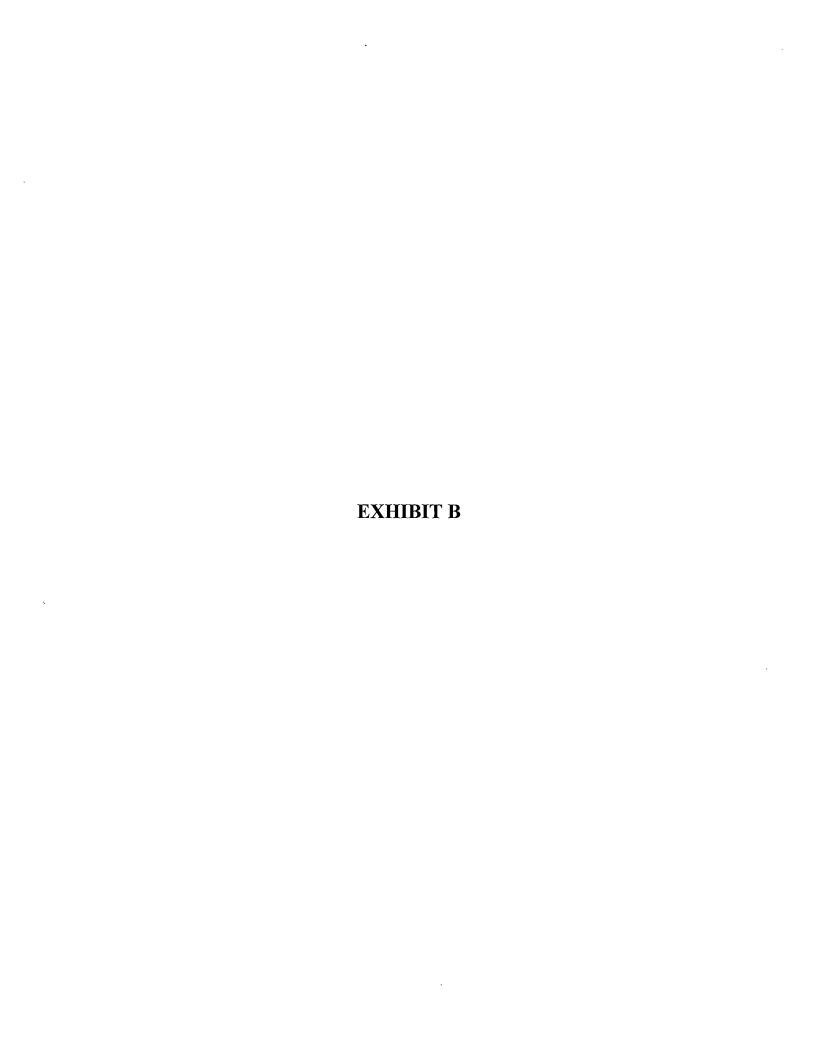
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# **INVUE**

(words only): INVUE

Standard Character claim: Yes

**Current Status:** A request for an extension of time to file an opposition has been filed with the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. For further information, see TTABVUE on the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board web page.

Date of Status: 2011-03-23

Filing Date: 2010-03-25

Transformed into a National Application: No

**Registration Date:** (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

Register: Principal

Law Office Assigned: LAW OFFICE 110

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United States

Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Delaware

**Phone Number:** 801.533.9800 **Fax Number:** 801.328.1707

#### GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 010 Class Status: Active

Orthopedic spinal implants consisting of artificial materials and surgical orthopedic instruments to

facilitate the implantation of orthopedic spinal implants

Basis: 1(b)

First Use Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

First Use in Commerce Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

(NOT AVAILABLE)

#### MADRID PROTOCOL INFORMATION

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#### PROSECUTION HISTORY

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2011-03-01 - Published for opposition

2011-01-21 - Law Office Publication Review Completed

2011-01-12 - Approved For Pub - Principal Register

2010-12-22 - Teas/Email Correspondence Entered

2010-12-22 - Communication received from applicant

2010-12-22 - TEAS Request For Reconsideration Received

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2010-08-10 - Teas/Email Correspondence Entered

2010-08-10 - Communication received from applicant

2010-08-10 - Assigned To LIE

2010-07-26 - TEAS Response to Office Action Received

2010-06-29 - Notification Of Non-Final Action E-Mailed

2010-06-29 - Non-final action e-mailed

2010-06-29 - Non-Final Action Written

2010-06-24 - Assigned To Examiner

2010-04-01 - Notice Of Pseudo Mark Mailed

2010-03-31 - New Application Office Supplied Data Entered In Tram

2010-03-29 - New Application Entered In Tram

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